

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A facsimile apparatus comprising:
a communication section which performs image data
communication utilizing a mail transmission system of a computer
network;

5 a printer;

a determining section which, if a delivery confirmation
mail, which notifies whether delivery of the image data has
succeeded or failed, has arrived, determines whether the delivery
confirmation mail notifies a delivery failure or a delivery
10 success of the image data transmitted from the communication
section; and

a control section which causes the printer to print an image
based on the delivery confirmation mail, only if the determining
section has determined that the delivery confirmation mail
15 notifies the delivery failure, ~~is notified~~ and which causes the
printer not to print an image based on the delivery confirmation
mail if the determining section has determined that the delivery
confirmation mail notifies the delivery success.

2. (Previously Presented) A facsimile apparatus according
to claim 1, further comprising:

an acceptance section which accepts a designation input by a user as to whether or not the delivery confirmation mail is requested, if the user requests transmission of the image data; and

a request section which causes the communication section to perform transmission of the image data together with a request for the delivery confirmation mail, if the designation that the delivery confirmation mail is requested is input to the acceptance section,

wherein the control section causes the printer to print the image based on the delivery confirmation mail regardless of a determination result of the determining section, if the delivery confirmation mail has arrived in response to the transmission of the image data together with the request of the delivery confirmation mail in accordance with the designation input by the user.

3. (Previously Presented) A facsimile apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the communication section transmits an e-mail, to which the image data is attached as an attachment file, based on an e-mail protocol.

Claims 4-7 (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling a facsimile apparatus including a printer and a communication section which performs image data communication utilizing a mail transmission system of a computer network, the method comprising:

5 determining, if a delivery confirmation mail, which notifies whether delivery of the image data has succeeded or failed, has arrived, whether the delivery confirmation mail notifies a delivery failure or a delivery success of the image data transmitted from the communication section; and

10 causing the printer to print an image based on the delivery confirmation mail, only if it has been determined that the delivery confirmation mail notifies the delivery failure, is notified and causing the printer not to print an image based on the delivery confirmation mail, if the it has been determined
15 that the delivery confirmation mail notifies the delivery success.

Claim 9 (Canceled).

10. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 8, further comprising:

accepting a designation input by a user as to whether or not the delivery confirmation mail is requested, if the user requests
5 transmission of the image data; and

causing the communication section to perform transmission of the image data together with a request for the delivery confirmation mail, if the designation that the delivery confirmation mail is requested is input by the user,

10 wherein the printer is caused to print the image based on the delivery confirmation mail regardless of whether it has been determined that the delivery failure is notified, if the delivery confirmation mail has arrived in response to the transmission of the image data together with the request of the delivery
15 confirmation mail in accordance with the designation input by the user.

11. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 8, wherein the communication section transmits an e-mail, to which the image data is attached as an attachment file, based on an e-mail protocol.

12. (Currently Amended) A facsimile apparatus comprising:
communication means for performing image data communication utilizing a mail transmission system of a computer network;
means for printing an image;

5 means for determining, if a delivery confirmation mail, which notifies whether delivery of the image data has succeeded or failed, has arrived, whether the delivery confirmation mail

notifies a delivery failure or a delivery success of the image data transmitted by the communication means; and

10 means for controlling the printing means to print an image based on the delivery confirmation mail, only if the determining means has determined that the delivery confirmation mail notifies the delivery failure, ~~is notified~~ and for controlling the printing means not to print an image based on the delivery
15 confirmation mail, if the determining means has determined that the delivery confirmation mail notifies the delivery success.

13. (Previously Presented) A facsimile apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising:

means for accepting a designation input by a user as to whether or not the delivery confirmation mail is requested, if
5 the user requests transmission of the image data; and

means for causing the communication means to perform transmission of the image data together with a request for the delivery confirmation mail, if the designation that the delivery confirmation mail is requested is input by the user to the
10 accepting means,

wherein the printing means is caused to print the image based on the delivery confirmation mail regardless of whether the determining means determines that the delivery failure is notified, if the delivery confirmation mail has arrived in

- 15 response to the transmission of the image data together with the request of the delivery confirmation mail in accordance with the designation input by the user.

14. (Previously Presented) A facsimile apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the communication means transmits an e-mail, to which the image data is attached as an attachment file, based on an e-mail protocol.